

REGISTER OF CLASSIFICATION DECISIONS

Title of Publication: 2004_0223Image0056.jpg

Other Known Title: Not Stated

Medium: Computer Image File

Director/Author: Not Applicable

Producer/Publisher: Not Stated

Country of Origin: Not Stated

Language: Not Applicable

Applicant: The District Court at Whangarei

Distributor: Not Applicable

Classification:	Objectionable.
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Descriptive Note: Not Applicable

Display Conditions: Not Applicable

Date of entry in Register: 26 November 2008

Date of direction to issue a label: Not Applicable

OFLC No: 802018

Excisions: Not Applicable

Reasons for excisions:

Not Applicable

**Summary of reasons
for classification:**

The computer image file *2004_0223Image0056.jpg* is classified as:
Objectionable.

The publication is a computer image file that promotes and supports the exploitation of young persons for sexual purposes and is therefore deemed objectionable.

The computer image file depicts a sexualised image of a young teenage girl. The girl's unnatural pose and the prominence of her bare buttocks give the image its sexual reading. The publication serves to validate and encourage those with a sexual interest in young persons.

The classification of this publication interferes with the freedom of expression, as set out in section 14 of the New Zealand Bill of Rights Act 1990. This outcome is consistent, however, with Parliament's intention that publications falling under s3(2) of the Films, Videos, and Publications Classification Act 1993 are deemed to be objectionable. The classification is also a reasonable limitation on the freedom of expression that reflects the concern of a free and democratic society to limit the availability of publications that promote and support the exploitation of young persons for sexual purposes.